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Loans for Homeowners, Renters and Businesses of All Sizes

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SBA Continues to Assist Disaster Victims Opens Disaster Outreach Center in Lake Charles

Sacramento, CA – Although the Federal/State Disaster Recovery Center (DRC) located at 1701 Ryan Street in Lake Charles will close on Friday, June 30, the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) will continue to provide one-on-one assistance to disaster victims impacted by the hurricanes. Beginning Monday, July 3, SBA will open a Disaster Outreach Center in Lake Charles.

The center will be located at the **Capitol One Building at 1 Lakeshore Drive, suite 1160**. The hours of operation will be Mondays through Fridays from 9 am to 5 pm and Saturdays from 9 am to 1 pm. The center will be closed Tuesday, July 4th in observance of Independence Day.

SBA Customer Service Representatives will continue to be on hand in Lake Charles to answer questions about SBA's disaster loan program, explain the application process and help each individual with the loan closing process. In addition, SBA will continue to accept applications for Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDL) to help meet working capital needs from small businesses affected by Hurricane Rita. EIDL assistance is available regardless of whether the business suffered any property damage. The deadline for businesses affected by Hurricane Rita to apply for an EIDL loan is July 28.

Individuals and businesses unable to visit SBA in person may obtain information and loan applications by calling toll-free **(800) 659-2955**. Hearing impaired individuals may call (800) 877-8339. Completed applications may be mailed to SBA at 14925 Kingsport Road, Ft. Worth, TX 76155.

For more information visit SBA's website at www.sba.gov/disaster.

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